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(d) No reply has been received.
 Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85). The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission date), which is after the expiration of the statutory period for payment of the issue fee (and publication fee) set in the Notice Allowance (PTOL-85).
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 3. Applicant's failure to timely file corrected drawings as required by, and within the three-month period set in, the Notice of Allowability (PTO-37). (a) Proposed corrected drawings were received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated), which is
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6. The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interference rendered on and because the period for seeking court review of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claims.
7. ☑ The reason(s) below:
Examiner tried reaching Applicant's representative, Ian MacKinnon (Reg 34,660) on 7/17/09. However no response has been received.
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